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	<i>Group Art Unit</i>	1636
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	<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	2923-104
<i>Title of the Invention:</i> RECOMBINANT HERPES VIRUSES FOR PREPARING RECOMBINANT ADENO-ASSOCIATED VIRUSES		

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office communication mailed May 6, 2003, Applicants submit the following substitute amendments and remarks in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 and respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending rejections.

A request for an extension of the time of response by one month accompanies this filing.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 7 of this paper.

The **CONCLUSION** begins on page 9 of this paper.